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## JUSTICE HOLDS UP DECISION ON PERJURY CHARGE

Two witnesses testified at a hearing before Justice of the Peace Robert P. Snyder this morning, that Rita Dryer, 23, of Chambersburg street, charged with perjury by Dr. Robert S. Lefever, 26 York street, in connection with serious charges brought by her on December 10 against the physician, declared in their presence that her charges were "lie" and that she wanted "to confess everything" because "I don't have long to live."

The witnesses were Guile W. Lefever, father of the physician, and Miss Virginia Myers, whose apartment is in the same building as the Lefever's on York street, and who said she was called as a witness on Sunday morning, December 22, when Mrs. Dryer, they testified, went to the Lefever apartment to "confess."

### Decision On Friday

After hearing these witnesses and Justice of the Peace John H. Basehore, before whom Mrs. Dryer laid her charges, Squire Snyder reserved his decision on the perjury charge until Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Miss Myers testified that she was in her apartment on the Sunday morning that Mrs. Dryer is alleged to have visited the Lefever apartment. She said she received a telephone call about "quarter of eleven" from Mrs. Lefever, mother of the doctor, asking her to come immediately to the Lefever apartment. She said she went out the back way and across the roof, into the Lefever kitchen, where she was met by Mr. Lefever. They then went into the dining room.

### Come To Confess

"Who was in the dining room?" Richard A. Brown, attorney for Dr. Lefever asked her.

"Mrs. Lefever and Mrs. Dryer," she replied:

Mr. Lefever asked Mrs. Dryer, "Now what do you want?" Miss Myers said, and she testified that Mrs. Dryer replied: "I have come to confess that this is all a lie, I have come to sign confession."

Miss Myers' testimony continued: "Mr. Lefever said 'Who is back of all this? Do you want money?'"

"Mrs. Dryer said 'No, I want my husband back. I want to confess. I haven't long to live.'"

### Call Doctor's Father

Attorney Brown rested his case, but the district attorney and Squire Snyder asked for corroborative testimony. After a brief conference between the Lefevres and their attorneys, the hearing was resumed and Mr. Lefever took the stand.

He said he was reading a newspaper when he heard a "very faint" knock on the door of the apartment. Going to the door, he said he saw Mrs. Dryer standing in the hall. He said she said:

"I have come to confess everything, may I come in?" He said he let her in, called his wife and asked her to call Miss Myers. He said there was not a word spoken until Miss Myers arrived in the apartment.

"Then I asked her: 'Now what do you want?' and she said 'This is all a lie, I want to confess.'" Lefever testified. Then he said:

"You mean these charges are a lie? Yes, I want to confess everything, I don't have long to live, I did this to get my husband back."

### Asked for Doctor

Lefever said Mrs. Dryer denied she wanted money. He said she also said "I want to see Bob. I must see Bob, it is important."

The witnesses said Mrs. Dryer left the apartment before Mr. Lefever could contact the attorneys and have them come there.

Squire Basehore was called as a witness to identify Mrs. Dryer and to testify that she appeared before him on December 10 and under oath.

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## Record Marriages Of Three Couples

Miss Phyllis Elvira Eiler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Eiler, 210 North Stratton street, and Clarence Monroe Swinn, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence M. Swinn, Sr., 31 East Lincoln avenue, were married December 21 at New Cumberland, Pa., by the Rev. R. C. Sloop, according to a marriage license return received today at the office of the clerk of courts in the court house. Mrs. Swinn is employed in the office of the Inductive Equipment corporation.

Another return shows that Fred Richard Hull, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman D. Hull, East Berlin R. 2, and Miss Therese Nadine Louise Becker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Delap and daughter of Biglerville R. D.; William Funt, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Funt and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Funt and daughter, of Table Rock; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Funt and son, Elmer Bricker, Mr. and Mrs. John Hartlaub, Meyer Martin, Aspers R. D. Mrs. Martin was presented a large birthday cake by her son, Meyer. Devotions were led by Mr. Dougherty. Ice cream and cake were served. Mrs. Martin received many gifts.

## Boy Is Injured While Sledding

Four-year-old Donald B. Hinton, Jr., Fayetteville, R. 1, escaped serious injury when struck by a truck while sledding in front of his home on the Lincoln Highway near Caledonia Monday afternoon.

Taken to the Chambersburg hospital by his father, the tot was found to be painfully, but not seriously hurt. He suffered abrasions on the face, knees and shoulders.

According to the boy's father, the child was pulling his sled across the driveway at the Hinton home when the vehicle backed into him. He was dragged along the snow by the truck for several feet.

The driver, Harry Walter Lerew, 42, of Bendersville, told state police of the Chambersburg sub-station that he did not see the child.

## WM. G. WEAVER IS SCOUT DRIVE CHAIRMAN HERE

Col. William G. Weaver has accepted the Gettysburg chairmanship in the Memorial Boy Scout Camp fund campaign, it was announced today by N. B. Schnurman, general chairman for Adams county.

Mr. Schnurman also disclosed that Wilmer McClure has been named chairman of the Round Top circuit which includes East Berlin, New Chester, Hampton and York Springs sections of Adams county as well as Thomasville, Rossville, Franklin, Dillsburg, Wellsburg and York county.

A dinner meeting is scheduled for Monday evening, January 6, it was announced by Chairman McClure.

He has announced these community chairmen have accepted campaign posts: E. S. Guise for York Springs; Edgar Millimes for New Chester and Hampton; C. D. Krouf for East Berlin, and Lloyd L. Kinter for Dillsburg and Franklin.

Chairman Schnurman reports encouraging initial reports from Adams county and the entire York-Adams area in the campaign. "Business and industry in this area are taking advantage of this appeal in arranging their 1946 tax deductions," Mr. Schnurman said.

The 500-acre camp site is located on the York-Cumberland county line near Dillsburg. The camp will take place of other camps that have been outgrown in this area by reason of the 450 per cent increase in Scout enrollment in the area since Ganoga and Conewago were established.

He was born in Gettysburg in 1889, and graduated from the Philadelphia Art school. He became political cartoonist on the Philadelphia North American, and worked as a cartoonist on various papers throughout the country.

At one time, Mr. Hunter became interested in magic, and went on the Keith circuit as a professional magician. Going to St. Petersburgh in 1915, he has been prominent there ever since in real estate, civic, and newspaper circles. He served as city editor of the St. Petersburg Times for two years, and left that position to become publicity director of the old St. Petersburg Investment company, then owners of the street car system, several steamboat lines, hotel and realty interests.

The maid of honor carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums and white pompons. The bridesmaids carried white snapdragons tied with green ribbon. All wore silver slippers.

For some years he devoted himself to writing, and was editor of the Federal Writers project. He directed the writing of the history of Pinelands county, the story of Tampa, and the "Florida Guide."

Mr. Hunter was successful in magazine work, and his articles appeared in Esquire, and other publications.

He is survived by two brothers, William B. Hunter of Waynesboro, and Robert G. Hunter of Slippery Rock, Pa.; two sisters, Mrs. Ralph Shockey of Chambersburg, and Mrs. Richard Snively of Waynesboro.

Funeral services were held December 17. Burial was in Waynesboro.

Funeral services Saturday at 1:30 p. m. from the J. W. Little and son funeral home, Littlestown, conducted by the Rev. Nevin Frantz, Ardenwood, and the Rev. H. W. Steiner, Biglerville. Interment in Bender's church cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Friday evening from 7 to 9 o'clock.

## MRS. J. W. MILLER EXPIRES TODAY

Mrs. Mabel J. Miller, 65, wife of John W. Miller, died at her home in Straban township, Gettysburg R. 5, this morning at 4:25 o'clock following an extended illness. She had been bedfast six months.

Mrs. Miller was a daughter of the late Raymond and Jennie (Riffee) Harner. She was a member of Trinity Reformed church, Biglerville.

In addition to her husband she is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Charles Cowan, Lancaster; Mrs. Clarence Cool, Hanover; Mrs. Trostle and Mrs. Lawrence Guise, both of Gettysburg; Mrs. John Hull, Gettysburg R. D.; five sons, Loy E. Herbert and Melvin, all of Biglerville; and three sisters, Mrs. George Hann, Littlestown R. D.; Mrs. Cleveland Miller, Gettysburg, and Mrs. James U. Bowers, Littlestown.

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Philip Gehring, Carlisle, was best man and the following were ushers, Mahlon P. Hartzell, Gettysburg; James Singer, Manheim; John Bernheisel, York and Donald Gallion, Baltimore.

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## 1,800 Kiddies At Christmas Party

An estimated 1,800 Gettysburg youngsters met Santa Claus at the fire engine house Tuesday evening and received candy, oranges and apples at the party sponsored by the Gettysburg Community committee. The Blue and Gray band was on hand to play Christmas carols.

Santa's helpers also distributed candy, oranges, and apples to the boys and girls at the Hoffman orphanage and the Paradise Protective and to the county home, the Warner hospital and the county jail.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Dougherty, Mrs. Anna Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Fohl, Martin Slade, Allen Dubbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gettysburg; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hartman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Delap and daughter of Biglerville R. D.; William Funt, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Funt and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Funt and daughter, of Table Rock; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Funt and son, Elmer Bricker, Mr. and Mrs. John Hartlaub, Meyer Martin, Aspers R. D. Mrs. Martin was presented a large birthday cake by her son, Meyer. Devotions were led by Mr. Dougherty. Ice cream and cake were served. Mrs. Martin received many gifts.

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## Joseph Stoddard Is Buried Today

Funeral services for Joseph Stoddard, of Emmitsburg, who was found dead Sunday, were held at 9 o'clock this morning in St. Anthony's Catholic church, Rev. Fr. E. S. Berry officiated and burial took place in St. Anthony's Shrine cemetery.

The pallbearers were: Reynolds and Joseph Eyer, Elwood and Francis Eiler, Charles Springer and Clarence Consickle.

8TH BIRTHDAY TODAY

Mrs. George Slonaker, 35 Breckinridge street, is quietly observing her 78th birthday anniversary today.

COUPLE TO WED

A marriage license was issued at the court house today to Allen A. Dubbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen A. Dubbs, Shippensburg, and Miss Roseanna Margaret Cromer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Cromer, 120 York street.

ASKS SUGAR TARIFF

Washington, Dec. 26 (P)—Describing the Administration's sugar program as "a terrible mess" Senator Butler (R-Neb) called today for a "plain old-fashioned tariff" to protect the American sugar industry.

Clearance Sale, Modern Miss Shop, 5 Chambersburg Street.

HOME FROM ORIENT

Cpl. William E. Eiler is spending a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eiler, Biglerville road. He has served 18 months overseas as a radio operator and sound operator. Linebaugh expects to be discharged March 22, 1948.

PLAY CAROLS HERE

Four members of the Blue and Gray band of Gettysburg played carols on the town streets throughout Tuesday night and the early hours of Christmas morning. They were John McGarvey, who played the bass horn; James Slaybaugh, slide trombone; Howard Fox, Jr., and William Tipton, baritone horns.

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## PREDICT SNOW FOR MIDWEST

## Social Happenings

Phone Gettysburg 640 or Biglerville 8

(By The Associated Press)

Medium to heavy snowfall, followed by colder weather during the week-end was in prospect in upper Michigan and the northern sections of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Lower Michigan.

Lower temperatures were forecast by the U. S. Weather Bureau in Chicago for the northern plains and Great Lake regions as the result of southeastern movement of a storm which was centered today north of Montana.

There was snow today in the Dakotas, and snow flurries were reported in the northern Great Lakes area, New York and New England.

Severe cold was predicted for tonight in northern Minnesota with temperatures somewhat lower than last night's sub-zero readings. Lowest official temperatures last night were 22 degrees below zero at International Falls, Minn., and 20 below at Bemidji, Minn.

Seven and one-half inches of rain fell in Los Angeles during the 24 hours ended 7:30 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) today.

Elsewhere, seasonal conditions prevailed, with no pronounced changes forecast today or tonight.

## SPENDING HITS PEAK IN 1946

**Washington, Dec. 26 (AP)—**Americans spend a record \$127,000,000,000 for goods and services this year, an average of more than \$900 for every man, woman and child in the country.

The Commerce Department's office of business economics which came up with this estimate today said the total is \$21,030,000,000 over last year's previous record.

Thus 1946 shoppers have been spending around \$120 for every \$1 they spent last year and \$170 for every \$1 spent during the peak pre-war year of 1941.

Both higher prices—the department figured them up 10 per cent over 1945 and more than 40 per cent above 1941—and a bigger volume of actual sales played parts in building up the new record, the department said.

Spending on non-durable goods—food, clothing, tobacco, gasoline and the like—amounted to \$77,000,000,000 in 1946, or more than \$12,000,000 above the 1945 total.

The outlay for durable goods—furniture, household appliances, automobiles, jewelry and the like—was estimated at \$14,000,000,000, 80 per cent up from a year ago and 50 per cent more than in 1941.

**Whiskey Rationing Continues In 1947**

**Harrisburg, Dec. 26 (AP)—**The state liquor control board today continued rationing of whiskey into 1947, fixing two periods of two weeks each for the month of January.

The board said, however, that quantities of some whiskies will continue ration free as in the past.

The first period in January for rationed whiskey was fixed for Dec. 30 through Jan. 11 and the second for Jan. 13 through Jan. 25.

Individual purchasers will be allowed a fifth of a gallon for each period and retailers may obtain 90 per cent of their normal basic supply.

## Avert Fire Tragedy In Baltimore Hotel

**Baltimore, Dec. 26 (AP)—**A night manager was credited by fire department officials with averting a possible Baltimore hotel tragedy early today when he checked a blaze that forced 60 guests from their rooms.

Officials said Arnold J. Onnen sounded an alarm which warned guests of the four-story Waldorf hotel of the danger and then confined the fire to the one room in which it started.

The blaze was located in a room occupied by Larry Leveron, who awoke to find furniture and window curtains ablaze. He went to the lobby and notified Onnen who sounded the hotel's fire alarm system and then raced to the third floor with a fire extinguisher.

The night manager directed guests in forming a line with pails of water to fight the blaze. By the time firemen arrived there were only small flames still burning a window frame.

## HALSEY ELECTED

**Carlisle, Pa., Dec. 26 (AP)—**Pleasant Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr., has been elected a member of the board of directors of the Carlisle Tire and Rubber Company. Company President Furber Marshall, who announced the election of the famed Pacific naval leader at a Christmas party for employees, said Halsey has been relieved of active participation in naval affairs at his own request after 46 years' service.

## DIES OF INJURIES

**York, Pa., Dec. 26 (AP)—**James Topkins, 39, died in the York hospital today of injuries suffered on Christmas Day when the automobile he was operating stalled on the tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad at a grade crossing here. The vehicle was struck by the lead engine of the west bound Liberty limited.

## DEATHS

Edith C. Baker

Miss Edith C. Baker, 61, died Monday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of her sister, Mrs. Paul Staver, Shippensburg, R. 3; Mrs. Anna Bucher, McKnightstown; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence D. Deardorff, McKnightstown; Edward Bucher, Cashtown; Harry W. Deardorff, Cashtown; J. Allen Deardorff, Cashtown; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Sesemann, Cashtown; Mr. and Mrs. Kieffer Frey, Smithsburg, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Jay S. Charles, Hanover; Mrs. Loleta D. Charles and Miss Justine Charles of Cashtown; Edward E. Combs, Emmitsburg, and Quintin M. Deardorff, Orrtanna R. D.

**The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Dwight F. Putman** and children, Dwight, Jr., Kathryn and Carolyn, Springs avenue, are spending the Christmas season with relatives at Somerset. On Christmas Day they were with Dr. Putman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Putman, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

**Ralph E. Arnold**, Baltimore street, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Arnold, of Elgin, Illinois.

**Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Hartman**, Springs avenue, spent Christmas Day with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hartman, of Hagerstown.

**Mr. and Mrs. Philip M. Jones** entertained at a family dinner Christmas Day at their home on West Broadway.

**Miss Blanche Shattuck**, of New York city, arrived today for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. John S. Rice, West Broadway.

**A group of Adams county teachers** are attending a meeting of the Pennsylvania State Education Association in Harrisburg today, Friday and Saturday. Among those who are present are C. P. Keefer, of the Biglerville schools, who is a delegate from the Adams county organization.

**Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon P. Hartzell** has as guests Christmas Day at their home on East Lincoln avenue, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Guise and children, John and Joyce, of Hagerstown.

**Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Parish**, Culpeper, Va., spent Christmas with Mrs. Parish's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Crouse, Seminary avenue.

**Mr. and Mrs. Jan N. Rijstdijk**, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Miss Ethel Roye, Columbia, recently spent several days with Mrs. Rijstdijk's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Smith, West Lincoln avenue. Mr. Rijstdijk will leave on a business trip to Holland within the next two weeks.

**Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Schlachman**, Baltimore, visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Lock, York street, over the Christmas holidays.

**Miss Elizabeth Slomaker**, Lancaster, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Slomaker, 35 Breckinridge street.

**Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bragdon** have returned to their home at Midtown, Del., after spending the Christmas holiday with Mrs. Bragdon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Snyder, West Stevens street. Mrs. Snyder's mother, Mrs. Emma Myers, of Spring Grove, was with them for the day and a niece, Miss Janey Myers of Coatesville, visited in the Snyder home during the day.

**Mrs. Forrest Hand**, of Philadelphia, is spending the holidays with Miss Olivia C. McClean, East Middle street.

**Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Partner** have with them this week at their home on East Middle street their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic R. Ward, of Pittsburgh, and Mr. Ward's son, James Ward, who is a student at Depauw University at Greencastle, Ind. On Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Partner entertained their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lorin Partner, and Mrs. Partner's mother, Mrs. William Swier, all of Harrisburg.

**Miss Margaret Stauffer**, of Philadelphia, is spending the holidays with her father, H. T. Stauffer, East Middle street.

**Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Saby** have with them over the holidays at their home on Carlisle street, their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Isenberg, of Altoona, and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Saby, of State College.

**Sgt. E. Reginald Ziegler**, Army Air Field, Bedford, Mass., is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ernest Ziegler, North Washington street.

**Macau**, Portuguese area in China, is the oldest European settlement in the Far East.

**Macau**, Portuguese settlement in China, was for many years financed by lottery tickets.

Paraguay's unit of currency, the guarani, is named for a war-like Indian tribe.

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**Swedish actress** is in the U. S. under sponsorship of Wildcat Enterprises Inc., which was formed by 30 former P-1 boat officers serving in the Pacific theatre. The group will seek a movie contract for Miss Berley. Born in Mobile, Ala., of Swedish parents, the former N. Y. model will seek citizenship papers in this country.

## CRIPPLE SEEKS HER LOST GAME

An Adams county woman who depends to a great extent upon a cane to help her in walking, has appealed to The Gettysburg Times to help her in recovering her walking stick which, she says, disappeared while she was shopping just before Christmas in a Gettysburg store. She will pay a reward for its return.

The woman is Mrs. Lena W. Voden, Biglerville R. 1. Mrs. Voden is an elderly woman who has had several orthopedic operations on her feet and needs the cane badly. Here is her story:

"While shopping (in the G. C. Murphy store) I hooked the cane handle over the glass around the counter and just walked to another counter before I missed the cane and I immediately went back to get it and it was gone," she says. "I asked the sales girl, 'She didn't know about it so several of the sales girls helped to look. They checked their lost and found counter. It wasn't there, we all looked all over the store."

"So someone surely walked off with my cane. It was a very nice cane, been in the family for years, an heirloom. It was a reed, or like a fine bamboo stalk, hand carved handle, mahogany finish, rubber tip, a very nice cane."

Mrs. Voden asks that whoever has the cane leave it at Murphy's lost and found counter and she will see that they are rewarded.

"I am so afraid some child will break it," she said.

them at the annual Christmas party held in the public school auditorium last Saturday afternoon. The children were entertained by the showing of a series of moving pictures on a variety of subjects. After the program Santa made his appearance and presented each child with an orange and a bag of candy.

The club sent the remaining gifts of fruit and candy to the children of the Paradise Protective near Abbottstown.

World food production in 1946-47 is expected to be about 7 percent above that of the previous year.

Walter Reinecker, who is a student at Elizabethtown college, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Reinecker, of Aspers.

**Prof. L. V. Stock**, of Biglerville, is attending a meeting of the Pennsylvania State Education Association in Harrisburg.

**Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carey**, Mrs. Naomi Carey and Dean Carey, of Elizabethtown, spent Christmas Day in Baltimore with Mrs. Naomi Carey's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Mylander.

**Mr. and Mrs. Roy Diehl** and son, Wilmer Diehl, and Mrs. Diehl's mother, Mrs. Isaac Kesselerling, of Biglerville, spent Christmas Day in Washington, D. C., as guests of Mrs. Kesselerling's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kesselerling.

**TWO PRIESTS BURN**

**Fayetteville, Ark., Dec. 26 (AP)—**Two Catholic priests burned to death today in the rectory adjacent to St. Joseph's Catholic church here. They were the Rev. Charles A. McCauley, 42, pastor of St. Joseph's, and the Rev. Francis T. Dollarton, about 55. Father Dollarton came here Christmas eve from St. John's seminary at Little Rock to assist Father McCauley, who had been ill in Christmas services.

**BUTTER IS DOWN**

**Chicago, Dec. 26 (AP)—**Butter prices declined two to six cents a pound on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange today to the lowest levels since September 3. Top Grade AA 93 score butter hit 74 cents compared with 30 cents on Monday and the highest of the season at 88½ cents on October 10. The popular 92 Score A was down to 73½ cents today from 76½ on Tuesday and 78 on Monday.

**SURPRISE**

**Hollywood, (AP)—**Did your Christmas presents surprise you? Chet Lauck is still a little amazed over one—a 50-year-old elephant wearing a sign "Merry Xmas to the Laucks"—he found among his gifts yesterday. The pachyderm was sent by W. C. Stroube of Corsicana, Tex., to the "Lum" of "Lum and Abner" radio fame. Last year Stroube sent a parrot and the year before a nondescript bird.

**GOOD NEIGHBORS**

**Palmyra, Ill., (AP)—**Seventy men joined to help make a Merry Christmas for Mrs. Harry Wood. The neighbors of Mrs. Wood, whose husband was killed recently in a fire which destroyed their farm home, went to her home with 16 tractors, 10 trucks, 20 wagons and 10 cornpickers. In less than a day the Woods' 65 acres of corn was harvested, and about 5,000 bushels shelled and trucked to an elevator.

**CAUTIOUS AGE**

**Bonne, Idaho, (AP)—**About 50 lights atop Idaho's capitol dome are burned out, and custodian Mart Garvin says they can stay out as far as his staff is concerned until a young man volunteers to scale a 30-foot ladder to the pinwheel.

"Our men are too old to climb the ladder," he said.

He explained that the youngest member of his staff is 60 years old. The eldest is 77.

## Upper Communities PA. TEACHERS HOLD MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lady, of Slippery Rock, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. Lady's mother, Mrs. H. C. Lady, of Archibald.

**Mr. and Mrs. Peter Larsen** returned to Staten Island today after spending the holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Rice, Jr., of Biglerville.

**E. B. Romig and son, Richard**, Biglerville, were visitors in Waynesboro today.

**Mrs. Elliott Taylor and Miss Helen** Taylor, Biglerville R. D., visited in Carlisle yesterday.

**Mr. and Mrs. Martin T. Walter** had as guests Christmas Day at their home near Biglerville Mr. Walter's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John and Richard, and daughter, Mary Ann, of Harrisburg. On Christmas Eve they entertained at dinner Mrs. Walter's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wells, also of Harrisburg.

**Miss Margery Bargar**, of Philadelphia, is spending the Christmas season with Miss Mary Boyett and Mrs. Donald E. Lower, of Biglerville R. D.

**Mrs. Ira Taylor and Mrs. Mand** Walter had as guests Christmas Day at their home in Arentsville Mrs. Taylor's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Taylor, and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wells, of Harrisburg.

**Stanley Raffensperger**, of Hoboken, New Jersey, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory E. Raffensperger, of Biglerville, R. D.

**Mrs. Robert Meekel and daughter**, Rosemary, of Bethlehem, arrived today for a visit with Mrs. Meekel's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Romig, of Biglerville.

**Elmer Hoke**, who is employed at the Biglerville National bank, spent the week-end with his family at New Holland.

**Walter Reinecker**, who is a student at Elizabethtown college, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Reinecker, of Aspers.

**Prof. L. V. Stock**, of Biglerville, is attending a meeting of the Pennsylvania State Education Association in Harrisburg.

**Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carey**, Mrs. Naomi Carey and Dean Carey, of Elizabethtown, spent Christmas Day in Baltimore with Mrs. Naomi Carey's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Mylander.

**Mrs. and Mrs. Roy Diehl** and son, Wilmer Diehl, and Mrs. Diehl's mother, Mrs. Isaac Kesselerling, of Big

# POLLET LEADS NATIONAL LOOP HURLING STARS

By BOB GRUBB

New York, Dec. 26 (AP) — Handsome Howie Pollet, trim leftfielder of the world champion St. Louis Cardinals, has for the second time in his comparatively brief career won the distinction of most effective hurler in the National league.

The 25-year-old southpaw from Houston, by way of New Orleans, leads in the earned run averages with a mark of 2.10, followed by the Braves' Johnny Sain with 2.21, figures just released for the 1946 season disclosed.

In addition, Pollet also leads in total innings pitched, 266, and won the most games, 21. First southpaw to win 20 National league games since Cliff Melton and Carl Hubbell of the Giants in 1937, Pollet was one of only two 20-game winners in the loop. The other was Sain, who had an even 20.

## Led in 1943

Pollet paced the circuit with a 1.7 mark in 1943 although he played only half the season before entering the Army Air Force. Returning last spring, he started most of the Red Birds' crucial games in their uphill drive to the pennant.

Manager Eddie Dyer's No. 1 man after Max Lanier left for Mexico, Pollet strained a back muscle in mid-September and never regained full effectiveness. He beat Brooklyn in the first playoff game for the pennant, however, and worked a brilliant but losing world series opener against the Boston Red Sox.

Another Cardinal, Little right-hander Murry Dickson, compiled the best winning percentage with 15 victories against six defeats for .714. Ewell Blackwell, Cincinnati's sensational yearling, tossed the most shutouts, six.

## Cleveland Barons Win 12th Victory

(By The Associated Press) The decision of Cleveland Barons President Al Sutphin and Coach Bun Cook at the end of last season to rebuild the club completely has paid off in a big way and today finds the Barons leading the eastern division of the American Hockey League by nine points over the nearest competitor, New Haven.

The Barons' winning streak was interrupted briefly last week when they lost to Pittsburgh after nine straight victories. Then they turned back Hershey and New Haven and last night defeated the Springfield Indians 7-2 at Cleveland for their 12th victory in 13 starts.

Cleveland's record now stands at 21 wins, five losses and two ties and gives them the same number of points as the Hershey Bears, leaders of the league's eastern division. The Bears have won 20, lost six and tied four.

## Irked By Color Line Duquesne May Cancel

Pittsburgh, Dec. 26 (AP) — The Orange Bowl basketball game between Duquesne university and Miami University of Florida, scheduled for January 15, may never be played if Duquesne's athletic committee follows the recommendation of Coach Chick Davies.

Irked by information that Miami police have a regulation forbidding competition between whites and negroes in athletic events, Davies said last night that "within a few days" he would ask the athletic committee to cancel the game.

"Then the matter will be in their hands," he said.

The point was whether Duquesne would be permitted to use its negro star, Charley Cooper, whom Davies said was responsible for winning the "Dukes" last three games — against Nevada university, Morehead Teachers of Louisville, and Miami university of Ohio.

## Canners To Meet Alumni On Friday

The Bigerville high basketball teams will clash with the alumni in their annual games Friday evening.

At 7:30 o'clock the girls' team will play, with the boys' game following immediately.

## Truman May Give Speech In Person

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP) — President Truman reportedly has decided to take to capitol hill personally his state of the union message which he has told congressional friends will deal with labor-management problems in vigorous language.

Those who talked with Mr. Truman shortly before his Christmas trip home said the Chief Executive had not yet completed drafting the labor portion of his report to Congress which he is expected to read to a joint session January 6.

The best guess of these persons—and they emphasized that it is only a guess—is that Mr. Truman will take a middle of the road approach and urge that Congress establish equal responsibility under the law for both labor and management.

**Scribes' Club Razed**

Philadelphia, Dec. 26 (AP) — The Pen and Pencil club, oldest newspapermen's club in the nation, was razed by fire yesterday shortly after

## East Co-Coaches At Work On T-Formation

San Francisco, Dec. 26 (AP) — East co-Coach Andy Kerr and Bernie Bierman, apparently deciding not to put all their shrine game eggs in the wing back basket, hatched out one of the biggest "T" formation quarterback in the business today in 205-pound Pete Pihos of Indiana.

Heretofore exponents of single and double wing play for the New Year's Day classic, Kerr and Bierman experimented with Pihos as the man under the center in Christmas Day practices.

The west already is depending on the "T" for victory and, perhaps sensing the east's new move, practiced a defense against the formation yesterday as well as countering play for the wingback style they expect to be the east's strongest threat.

Shifting Pihos to quarterback put Paul (Manny) Weaver of Penn State at full, in a straight swap. Weaver is a blocking quarter in the single and double wing.

## Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLERTON, Jr.

New York, Dec. 26 (AP) — There's a hot basketball debate raging hereabouts as to whether Oregon which handed NYU its worst Garden trouncing, could beat Kentucky. But Wyoming and Utah may bust into it before the week is over. . . . The Utes have four of their 1944 national champion team back in action but they haven't found the range yet. Wyoming, with its temperamental stars gone, offers five-foot, eight-inch Jimmy Reese as its scoring star. Some claim he's even better than Kenny Sailors. . . . Johnny Donaldson, who carried the ball only 61 times for Georgia this season and scored 69 points, may miss the Sugar Bowl game because of a recurrence of the pulled muscle that kept him out of the Georgia Tech tussle.

**TODAY'S GUEST STAR**

John Mooney, Salt Lake Telegram:

"With so many athletic coaches in the armed forces physical program during the war, it's amazing that most of them had to return to civilian life to reach the 'firing line.'"

## POST-HOLIDAY HASH

The Dodgers' publicity department claims that three rookies coming up from the Brooklyn farms, Johnny Van Cuyk, Boris Woyt and Marv Rackley, would be worth \$200,000 in the open market. It also reports Catcher Bruce Edwards was the first to get delivery on his "bonus" car. That's his job, ain't it, getting deliveries? . . . Henry Baker, nephew of Princeton's Hobey, is a candidate for the Tiger hockey team. But he won't get to play in Baker rink this season. . . . Otis Wile, Oklahoma A. & M. tub thumper, claims that the Cowpokes aren't so hot in athletics this year because they bear down on scholastic matters in alternate years and this is the one for building character into Steers.

## OH, BROTHER

Athletics "family style" at Lehigh U., include Edwin and Eric Erikson on the wrestling team and Frank and Karl Reinhart on the basketball team. During the football season Coach Bill Leckonby had to deal with Richard and Russell Jones in Weisport, Pa., and Charles and Garvin Jones of Hawertown, Pa., as well as three Heck brothers, Guy, Theodore and William. And they still couldn't win, by Heck.

## SEEK TO RESCUE DOWNED AIRMEN

Mont Joli, Que., Dec. 26 (AP) — The American freighter Colabec was reported pushing her way through St. Lawrence river ice today toward the spot where two, and possibly three, survivors of a downed Quebec airways plane were adrift on ice floes and heading toward the sea.

Vigorous Nationalism

When the Japanese tide receded in 1945 it left behind in IndoChina a vigorous nationalism that made it certain that French rule never could be reestablished on the old basis.

The Annamese, who form the bulk of the population—totalling some 19,000,000—of the three most important sections of IndoChina, Tonkin, Annan and CochinChina, turned from resistance to the Japanese to resistance to the returning armies of imperial France.

So strong was this resistance that France was impelled to come to terms with it and strike a bargain, in the agreement of March 6, 1946, that recognized "the Viet-nam republic as a free state having its government, its parliament, its army and its finances forming part of the IndoChina federation and the French union."

Viet-Nam was able to establish its rule over the northern and eastern provinces, Tonking and Annan. As far as internal affairs are concerned those areas are under Annamese, or Viet-Namese rule.

But it was hardly to be expected that Annamese nationalism would be satisfied with such a compromise;

now it wants control of its foreign affairs as well and incorporation of CochinChina, richest of the provinces in Viet-Nam. The French have agreed to leave the latter question to a referendum of the people of CochinChina.

Patrons and employees had left. Origin of the fire which destroyed many irreplaceable paintings, cartoons and autographed portraits was unknown. The club estimated the loss of equipment and furnishings at approximately \$10,000 and firemen said damage to the building probably would exceed \$10,000.

Macau, Portuguese settlement in China, has been called the Monte Carlo of the Orient.

## DAVIS CUP MAY RETURN TO U.S.

Melbourne, Dec. 26 (AP) — Ted Schroeder's smashing upset victory over John Bromwich and Jack Kramer's easy triumph over Denny Pails in the opening matches of Davis cup play today virtually extinguished Australia's hopes of retaining the international tennis trophy.

The two Americans, trying to bring back the symbol of world tennis supremacy which has been held down under since 1939, team up tomorrow to tangle with Bromwich and Adrian Quist in a doubles match which could—and should—clinch the cup for the United States.

It was Schroeder's genuinely great triumph over the two-hand-swinging Bromwich in the first match of the series which set the tone for Australian gloom. About the only comfort the Aussies could find was in the memory of the last Davis cup matches in 1939, when they won the cup after losing the first two singles encounters.

Seldom in the history of tennis has a player of any country given a greater demonstration of gameness and sheer determination than Schroeder did in turning back Bromwich, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

Kramer beat Pails in straight sets, 6-6, 6-2, 9-7, hardly bothering to leave the baseline in accomplishing the win.

When the Aussie raced through six straight games in the fourth set, it appeared he might have taken Schroeder's measure, but the former U. S. Navy flier, visibly weary from the strain of his tremendous effort, had that little extra something which enabled him to come through in the deciding set.

## FRANCE REAPING FRUITS OF POOR COLONIAL RULE

By GLENN BABB

(AP Foreign Affairs Analyst)

Of all the western powers which perform are relaxing the ties that held their prewar empires together, France just now is finding the process most painful. In the bloody fighting that surges over broad areas of IndoChina she is reaping the harvest of six decades of not very enlightening or generous colonial rule and nearly six years of tragic eclipse after Hitler's 1940 triumph in the west.

It is a strange spectacle presented today in southern and eastern Asia. Nations which rank as victors in the greatest of all wars, instead of consolidating their spoils, are divesting themselves of some of the richest colonial possessions. This process is accompanied by expressions of desire to spread the light of freedom and self-government throughout the world. In some cases, at least, skepticism is pardonable. The bald fact is that in the fight for survival against the predatory axis powers some of the ultimate victors paid so dearly in blood treasure and prestige that they no longer have the strength to keep faraway peoples in the subjection of pre-war times.

So the Netherlands are acceding in formation of the Indonesian republic. Britain is proceeding along the path that Winston Churchill described as the "Decline and fall of the British empire"—seeking means of letting India go, drafting the plans for an independent Burma, offering increased measure of self-government to the peoples of strategic Malaya. The United States has freed the Philippines, although it should be noted that this was in keeping with pre-war pledges and not the result of loss of power over the custom.

Kids Retain Fervor

Come Boxing Day he stays home like everybody else. The two shillings (forty cents) that everybody on his route gave him, in order to get checked off on his list, like as not added up to an hilarious Christmas.

Nowadays the mailman, whom you may not have seen since last Boxing Day, rings your doorbell briskly several mornings before Christmas, gets you out of bed, hands you the gas bill and stands expectantly with his pencil poised over a list with your name on it.

Everything Is Closed

Evrything is closed, including the eyes of taxi-drivers. You can't buy bread, milk or, unless you find an untraditional publican, beer. Trains and buses creep along resentfully if they run at all. Newspapers don't publish. Dogs don't bark.

Boxing Day gets its name, according to most authorities, from the old custom of leaving boxes of Christmas goodies for the mailman, the milkman and others who bring things to you on the day after Christmas. The name has outlived the custom.

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On the kids have any holiday fervor left on the day after. They drag muttering parents, whenever possible, to the pantomime—the Christmas stage extravaganza that is half fairy story and half denatured burlesque.

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## Today's Talk

### LIGHTED SPARKS

There are certain words, phrases, bits of poems, or inspiring epigrams, that stay in the memory, like lighted sparks that fly out from some occasion or event. But sparks, nevertheless, that never seem to die out.

Here are a few: "There shall be no Alps!"—Napoleon; "Give me Liberty or give me Death!"—Patrick Henry; "These are times that try men's souls!"—Tom Paine; "With malice toward none; with charity for all"—Abraham Lincoln; and, of course, in parts of the Old Testament, and all through the New Testament, words and phrases that keep streaming through the minds of all who have once read them.

These sparks can always be traced to the heart of the one who created them. It is in the heart that feeling germinates. Nothing lives that is born without feeling.

On a little mound, near Grant's tomb, in New York city, is the grave of a child, with this inscription: "To An Amiable Child." And on the simple tombstone of a New England grave, this has been carved: "She Was So Pleasant." Time and time again I have thought of these two inscriptions. Just to be amiable and pleasant—these two qualities alone, would make any life notable—at least to all who might come in contact with it. Each word, or act, from such person would be like a lighted spark, flashed to burst into flame—warming inconceivable numbers.

There are sparks of hope, of ambition, and of many a possibility, that need but the touch of a kind word, or some evidence of sympathy or understanding, to bring to life that spark, into an unquenchable fire of enthusiasm and achievement. Faith in another has time and again saved many a latent spark from going out forever.

Thomas E. Edison met Henry Ford at a dinner, and the younger man approached the great inventor to explain his idea of a combustible gas engine. Edison listened, and then said: "Young man you've got it!" Perhaps it was that encouragement that lit the spark in Henry Ford's mind which put him on solid ground, and was to make him one of the greatest industrialists of his time, or of any other time. Sparks, once lighted, do that!

Tomorrow Mr. Adams will talk on the subject: "Growing Pains."

## Just Folks

**THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS**  
Grandpa spent the day upon the floor—

Running trains and playing with the toys.  
Now, from head to toe he's muscle sore;

Wishes women all would stop their noise;

Says what he is suffering no one knows.

Grandpa's all played out when Christmas goes.

Grandpa's full of moaning and complaint.

Didn't know there could be so much pain;  
Wonders if he'll ever walk again.

Doesn't like the womenfolks to say He's too old for games the children play.

Grandpa thinks he won't get up today.

Had his breakfast brought beside his bed;

Asked the maid who carried up the tray.

Couldn't she a little lighter tread?

There's a patch of plaster on his nose.

Grandpa's all played out when Christmas goes.

STRIKERS TO MEET

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 26 (P)—Striking Coal township teachers were called into a meeting today to consider a state appeal for them to return to their classes at the end of the holiday vacation. In a letter to John M. Mangle, president of the union, Dr. Francis B. Haas, state superintendent of public instruction, asked the teachers to "return to their duties in order that the children may no longer be deprived of educational opportunity."

The following scouts went to camp under the chaperone of Scoutmaster Bream and Frank Gardner, where they will remain until Friday. The following scouts are in the party:

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The office force of the three factories here presented Mr. Jones with an appropriate Christmas gift.

Legion Treats Needy Children:

Not forgetting children of ex-servicemen less fortunate than themselves, members of Albert J. Lentz American Legion post, 202, on Friday distributed clothing, fruit and candy among eleven children of deserving former service buddies in Gettysburg and Adams county. George W. Boehmer was chairman of the Legion's committee in charge of arranging the treat for the children.

Scout Drive For Funds Over \$260. Leave For Camp: On the eve of their departure for the South Mountains on their annual mid-winter camping trip, Boy Scouts of Troop 3, through their scoutmaster, Clyde L. Dream expressed appreciation for

## HEAVY HOLIDAY ACCIDENT TOLL ACROSS NATION

(By The Associated Press)

The gaiety of the Christmas holiday turned to sadness today in scores of the nation's homes where black crepe replaced the green holly that was mounted on walls for the season. Most of them in traffic accidents, most of them in traffic accidents, were recorded since early Christmas eve.

Generally fair weather throughout the country lured thousands of motorists to the highways, many in their new Christmas automobiles, and the number of traffic fatalities totaled 196.

Violent deaths by miscellaneous causes—fires, plane and train crashes, asphyxiation, drowning—accounted for 34 victims. The 230 total this Christmas compared to 414 in 1945. The 230 total this Christmas compared to 414 in 1945, which included 219 traffic fatalities.

May Reach 300

The 196 traffic deaths were far in excess of the 150 estimated by the National Safety Council from 6 p.m. Tuesday through Wednesday. A council spokesman said the eventual death toll in highway accidents for the period would be "considerably more than 300."

More than one-fourth of the traffic deaths—52—occurred in California. The heavy toll in highway accidents was blamed by a police traffic official on a "combination of wet streets and drinking." Thirty nine of the 52 deaths were reported in a 10-county area near Los Angeles. Rain and fog were reported in the area.

Illinois' violent death toll ranked second with 23, including 18 in traffic mishaps. Nineteen of the fatalities occurred in the Chicago area.

Five Die In One Crash

The heaviest single toll on the holiday was the death of five persons in a head-on auto collision near Norristown, Tenn.

The toll by states, from 6 p.m. (local time) Tuesday, listing traffic and miscellaneous: Alabama, 2,0; Arizona, 2,0; Arkansas 0,2; California 52,2; Colorado 2,0; Connecticut 1,0; Florida 3,1; Georgia 5,1; Idaho 2,0; Illinois 18,5; Indiana 11,1; Iowa 2,1; Kansas 2,0; Louisiana 3,0; Maine 3,1.

Maryland 8,0; Massachusetts 5,4; Michigan 8,2; Minnesota 3,0; Missouri 2,0; Nebraska 1,0; New Jersey 2,1; New Mexico 3,6; New York 10,2; North Dakota 1,0; Ohio 7,1; Oklahoma 4,0; Oregon 3,2; Pennsylvania 7,3; Tennessee 8,0; Texas 2,0; Vermont 1,0; Washington 4,1; West Virginia 5,1; Wisconsin 4,2; District of Columbia 0,1.

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Pittsburgh, Dec. 26 (P)—City police said a 25-year-old Hill district man was held today in the Christmas eve slaying of policeman Louis G. Spencer, 38. Police Superintendent Harvey Scott said the man had a bullet wound in the left wrist, believed to have been suffered in an exchange of shots with Spencer.

HELD IN SLAYING

Philadelphia, Dec. 26 (P)—Three Pennsylvania war plants, originally developed by the government at a cost of \$1,815,000 have been declared surplus and will be sold or leased next month, the War Assets Administration announced today.

The properties, locations, acquisition costs and dates for receipt of sealed proposals: Williamsport, Pa., Rheem Mfg. Co., \$500,000, Jan. 3; Fullerton, Pa., Mack Mfg. Co., \$650,000, Jan. 10; Lebanon, Pa., Bethlehem-Lebanon Forge Co., \$670,000, Jan. 23.

Williamsport Technical Institute, a division of that city's school district, has offered to buy the Williamsport plant for a vocational training shop, WAA said.

Academy Teachers Leave For Cuba: With the closing of Gettysburg Academy for the holidays, Tuesday, two of the professors, C. R. Wolfe and Leon Saunders left by automobile to spend Christmas and New Year's day in Cuba.

Couple Married: Miss Dorothy Spangler, daughter of Mrs. Estella Spangler, Littlestown, and Glen Bowers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Birnie Bowers, Two Taverns, were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Mt. Joy Lutheran church by the Rev. L. K. Young, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

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The Almanac December 27—Sun rises 7:21; sets 4:41; Moon sets 8:31 p.m.; December 28—Sun rises 7:21; sets 4:12; Moon sets 9:33 p.m.

MOON PHASES December 31—First Quarter.

the wholehearted response of residents of Gettysburg to their drive for \$300 for current and special expenses. At noon approximately \$260 had been collected or contributed.

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Scout Drive For Funds Over \$260. Leave For Camp: On the eve of their departure for the South Mountains on their annual mid-winter camping trip, Boy Scouts of Troop 3, through their scoutmaster, Clyde L. Dream expressed appreciation for

## Chinese Guerrillas In Peiping Area

Peiping, Dec. 26 (P)—Chinese Communist guerrillas, in a surprise move, captured a village only seven miles north of Peiping today and provoked the government into an about face in its policy.

The Communists' unexpected attack from the north elicited a statement from 11th War Zone Headquarters that national troops would begin a "country purge" to crush guerrillas threatening the Peiping-Tientsin railroad.

Previously, government military leaders persistently maintained the guerrilla attacks were not serious and dismissed them as nuisance tactics.

Government reports said 1,000 to 2,000 Communists captured the village, Lu tung, Christmas Day after a 15-hour battle and still held it today although they once were driven off by government reinforcements.

Mr. Truman said he would pay a final visit to his mother, 94-year-old Mrs. Martha E. Truman, at Grandview, before taking off in the Presidential C-54 plane, the "Sacred Cow," about 3 p.m. (EST).

He flew into Jackson county yesterday for a round of Christmas celebrations, which included a big turkey dinner shortly after noon at his home at 219 North Delaware street.

There, he had dinner with his mother, his wife and his daughter, Margaret, his brother, J. Vivian Truman, and the Wallaces, his wife's people.

The President kept close to home on Christmas Day except for an hour's visit to the nearby home of Colonel Mize Peters, an old friend whom he has visited regularly on Christmas for 25 years.

She told Hollywood newsmen who informed her of her selection that most of the judges "have never seen me—maybe that's why they selected me."

"If they ever saw me running around in my blue jeans and wild shirts they might change their minds," she added.

Runner-up in the 1946-47 list announced yesterday by the New York Dress Institute was the Duchess of Windsor, who once topped the annual list and last year dropped to 10th place.

FOLLOWING in order in the "ten best dressed" list were: Mrs. Cushing Mortimer (former Barbara Cushing, sister of Mrs. Vincent Astor and Mrs. John Hal Whitney); Mrs. Byron Foy; Mrs. Thomas Shevlin; Mrs. Millicent Rogers; Mrs. Harrison Williams; Mrs. William Rhinelander Stewart; Mrs. William Paley, and Mrs. Clare Boothe Luce.

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# BRIDGE TO PARADISE

By Kathleen Rollins

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Chapter 28

David and Corrine went out to the garden after dinner to walk arm in arm along the narrow concrete walks with the smell of roses and perennials in the air. "David," she said, "do you ever get blue and think—well, that you don't deserve to be as happy as we are? That something is bound to happen to destroy it, and—you'll just die!" He stopped and took her in his arms. He kissed her and said, "Nothing can happen, darling, because we won't let it. Good Lord! I could lick a thousand devils if necessary. The only thing that bothers me is this waiting until June."

"I know," she said dreamily, "but it's odd the way a girl feels about marriage. It's impossible to feel secure until the ceremony is over. A man belongs to you then; and you have every right to—well, fight anything that comes up. But before you're married, you feel as if you'd have to hide away somewhere and let your heart break, where people wouldn't know."

David's laughter rang through the garden. He crushed her to him. "You foolish darling! Nothing is going to happen to us."

She was happy again, reassured, as they watched the opalescent clouds over the moon.

Quick footsteps sounded on the walk and Amita Pratt called: "Corrine—David—someone wants David on the telephone. His mother, I thank."

They hurried in, and Corrine stood beside him at the hall telephone watching his pale face and the deep frown come and go between his brows. "All right," he spoke into the mouthpiece. "I'll be right over Mother." He replaced the receiver and sat for a moment as if too stricken to move or speak.

"What is it David?" Corrine asked in a small voice filled with terror.

"It's Madelyn," he answered. "She's at home with a broken ankle and a possible spinal injury. They just brought her out in an ambulance."

"At our house, David?" she asked tremulously. She caught the back of the chair to steady herself.

He looked up at her and his eyeballs were red with suffering. "She didn't have anywhere else to go, Corrine. We have to take care of her. I have to hurry over there."

"David—you can't go to her! She'll take you from me." She ended on a wail, and dropped into a chair.

"You've got to pull yourself together, Corrine," he pleaded. "You're acting as if this were a matter of life and death."

She nodded her head, unable to speak just yet, thinking that it was a matter of happiness or unhappiness, which was synonymous with life and death to her stricken mind.

She got up and pulled herself upstairs, holding to the banister, and went to her room. She shuddered and picked up a fountain pen.

Dear David: I am writing this in deep humility. Thinking back, there seems nothing in my life to merit my existence except that I have loved you, for I see clearly what I was before that. I have done nothing to earn or merit the happiness I long for, and I know, now, that it can never be mine. I know, too, that yours and Madelyn's lives are inextricably grown together. To separate them would be destructive to both of you; but the present alliance between you and Madelyn would destroy any happiness we could ever hope to have.

Sealing the envelope was like sealing her own tomb. She laid her head on her arms and wept convulsively. In a little while she slipped out the side entrance and walked three blocks to the mailbox.

She stared at the box and had a sudden frantic desire to tear it to pieces and retrieve the letter. No, she would meet the postman tomorrow and demand it back. She couldn't break up her marriage. She couldn't!

Her mind slowly cleared as she hurried home. It was useless to appeal to David, but perhaps she could appeal to Madelyn. Surely Madelyn would understand how she felt.

She spoke casually to Penelope when she answered the phone, and asked to speak to Madelyn.

Madelyn's voice was so low she could scarcely understand at first. Corrine extended her sympathy. "I'm as sorry as anyone could be because of your accident, Madelyn, and I would do anything to help you, but David and I are to be married in less than three weeks, and only right that we should start out without a handicap."

"You're not fooling me a bit, Corrine," Madelyn answered coolly. "You're not afraid of having me here after you're married. You're afraid I'll take David away from you before you can get married, because you know well enough that I can take him without half trying."

Corrine controlled her voice with a great effort and said quietly, "All right, I'll go and give you your chance. I don't believe you can ever win him away from me, but if you can, then I don't want him. I'm putting my faith in David. Good-bye."

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David went alone to Madelyn's room, one of the guest rooms. A great lump rose to his throat when she opened her black eyes and looked

up at him. She looked for all the world like a weary child in the humiliation of illness.

"I'm sorry about this, David," she said weakly. "I hope I haven't upset—anything."

"We've got to get you well," he said huskily. "I'll call a doctor immediately and see just how bad this thing is."

"Your mother has called the doctor," she said and her chin trembled like a hurt child's. "Oh, I'm so terribly sorry."

"I'm sorry too," he murmured, "for you—for all of us. You know, of course, that Corrine and I are to be married in a couple of weeks. She's upset, naturally."

"No, I didn't know. I wouldn't have come back to you if I'd known. I wouldn't let myself believe you loved her. Through everything, I've believed you belong to me. I'm not going to get well now. I don't care if I never get out of this bed—alive."

"You're talking like a nut," he burst out. He looked up and saw his mother and Doctor Stratton standing in the door.

David watched while the doctor pressed on her spine, saw her wince and clench her fists. Finally Doctor Stratton said, "The spine injury is only a strain, but she'll have to stay in bed. Sometimes those injuries develop into something serious."

"How long—" Penelope began anxiously, and the doctor interrupted, anticipating her question.

"A month in bed, no weight on the ankle for two months, should be about right."

Penelope stayed in the big house that night. She made arrangements by telephone for a nurse, and when she asked David if he would stay, he said, "I'll never stay in this house at night until Corrine is here with me."

He went back to his tent. When he awoke the sun was high and he sprang from the cot in a panic. His first thought was of Corrine. She would think it strange that he had not called her earlier. He picked up the receiver of the camp's temporary phone and called her house.

Amita Pratt answered in a teary voice. "Corrine is not here," she said, hardening her tone upon recognizing his voice. "She left by train this morning."

"Where did she go?" he asked curiously.

"I can't tell you that," she answered, hushing up.

He ranted aloud as he dressed with the frenzy of a madman.

A few minutes later he walked into the private office at the bank building, took one look at Mr. Pratt sitting behind his big mahogany desk and was convinced that he, too, was suffering.

"I suppose you know what I've come for," he said. "I've got to see Corrine. Where is she?"

"I have been sworn to secrecy. David. She has broken our hearts, too, you understand. She said she was going to hide away until she could hate you. Those were her own words."

"I see," David answered, dismayed and helpless. He went out, and at the post office received Corrine's letter.

During the two weeks that followed, David grew thin, his cheeks hollow. The hard, cynical smile returned to his lips, and the work he had to do was only a job. His house on the knoll was for sale. After a conference with his mother, she decided it was best, for owning it would be an added heartbreak for them both. Besides she would be more convenient to her work in a small apartment close to town.

He sprang up gingerly when he heard footsteps on the porch. It was probably Madelyn, scared and willing to rough the storm to reach him. It would be like her to try to reach him if she were frightened.

He opened the door and his mouth fell open with surprise and consternation.

Corrine stood there hugging her drenched little coat close to her body. "David!" she cried, and when he only stared at her stupidly, disbelief in his whole expression, she said, "Aren't you going to invite me in?" Her teeth chattered. The wind whipped her wet skirts against her legs. The chill of the night storm brought him to his senses, and he gathered her in his arms and carried her to the chair closest to the fire.

"Corrine! You've come back," was all he could say, and he said it over and over.

"To our home," she murmured, her wet sleeves squeezing around his neck. "You'll never know what I've suffered, David." She clung to him, her wet frock soaking him to the skin.

Madelyn was as lovely as a picture lying on the rose-silk chaise lounge and greeted Penelope with a cheery, "Hello, there. I was just beginning to get lonesome."

Penelope smiled smoke. She sniffed, looked narrowly at Madelyn and saw that she had one hand tucked behind her.

"You know, my dear, I'm leaving for New York, and while I'm away, I've arranged for you to have your old room, and Mrs. Summers is going to look after you. She has put in a cot for your nurse to stay nights."

She paid no attention whatever to the long, low-lidded stare which Madelyn directed at her, nor to the sudden catch in her voice when she said, "I think you're all tired of me. But why couldn't I stay here until you come back? I may be well enough to leave by then."

"It wouldn't look right, Madelyn."

Madelyn had been sitting erect, and now she sank back against the silken cushions with a languid sigh. Then, suddenly, she screamed and her fingers flew to her back. With a wild cry she sprang from the couch and away from it, crying:

"Do something—quick! I'm on fire. The cushion's on fire!"

Penelope started for the connecting bathroom, but Madelyn was there ahead of her holding a glass of water she poured down her back, her hair she poured down her back.

"But don't you see, my dear, you're walking without your crutches—without anything!"

"What's so funny?" Madelyn asked angrily. "My back is burned."

"Mother—Madelyn! What has happened? Why is Madelyn standing out here without her crutches?"

Penelope smiled and said, "It's just one of those miracles we read so much about yet seldom see happen."

"Mother?" he exclaimed. Then it was true. "Where is she? Did she come?"

"Your mother is not only a fine business woman, David, she's a detective as well. She found out where I was. She bribed Essie May to tell her. She gave her a red dress."

"Oh dear, I forgot about them..." She was wriggling out of his arms. "Here we sit like a couple of boobs while your mother and the minister and a traveling man are out there smothering in cars waiting for me to signal them." She began laughing uncontrollably.

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"Your mother attended to everything before she left for New York, David," she answered sensibly.

"What's the traveling man for?" he asked, amazed.

"Well, for one thing, he's to be a witness to our marriage. Ask your mother about the rest of the story. He came all the way from New York with us, and he's got that certain look in his eye." She went on to the door, saying, "They're waiting out there, half suffocated."

The trio was not waiting. They came trooping in before she reached the door, shivering from the rain and wind, to assist at the strangest wedding they would ever see, for David forgot that he wore a dressing gown, and from Corrine's soaked little frock water dripped to the carpet throughout the ceremony.

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## Bilbo May Cause Embarrassment

Washington, Dec. 26 (P)—Senator Bilbo (D-Miss.), an associate said today, is prepared to raise some "embarrassing" questions if his colleagues seek to make an issue of his dealings with war contractors.

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# 150-YEAR-OLD RITUAL TO OPEN CONGRESS TERM

By HOWARD DOBSON

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP)—When the House and Senate of the 80th Congress convene at noon January 3, each will follow ritual more than 150 years old.

It has changed only in minor details since the first Congress met on March 4, 1789, in New York.

This is the opening day schedule for the Senate:

The call to order will be by secretary Leslie Biffle. He will preside because the Senatorial term of the current presiding officer, Senator McKellar (D-Tenn.), expires with the 79th Congress at the moment the 80th convenes. Thus for a few minutes, McKellar will be just another senator-elect.

## Present Credentials

Following the prayer, the Senate will receive the credentials of 32 men elect to full six-year terms and four more to complete terms expiring in 1949.

This is the first point at which a new or re-elected member's right to his seat may be challenged. Any senator can move that the credentials of a senator-elect not be accepted, or that they be accepted subject only to a vote later on seating him. A simple majority (one vote more than half the members present) decides this motion.

Next comes the swearing in of new members, who are given the oath individually and in alphabetical order. This will be done by Biffle unless the Senate votes to have someone else do it.

## May Be Challenged

A challenge may be made here, too. A member-elect can be asked to stand aside. If he refuses, a member can move that he not be sworn, and again a simple majority vote is deciding.

At these two stages, there will be only 59 members in the Senate. The full membership is 96, but there will be 37 vacancies—the 32 full-term members, four part-term, and one resulting from the death of Senator Bailey (D-N.C.).

After the oath-taking, new officers will be elected. These will include a new presiding officer, a clerk, doorkeeper, sergeant-at-arms, and postmaster.

In quick succession, then, the Senate will adopt routine resolutions notifying the house and President Truman that it is in session, has elected officers, and is ready for business.

## House Pattern Not Identical

The new presiding officer will read a notification of Bailey's death, and the Senate will adjourn its first session out of respect to his memory.

The credentials of his successor, William B. Umstead of Durham, N.C., cannot be presented until this notice has been given. Umstead probably will take the oath at the next session.

The House pattern is similar, but not identical.

Sergeant-at-arms Kenneth Romney will call the house to order, and after the prayer a reading clerk will call the roll by states. All are members-elect, since there are no house holdovers.

## Two Vacancies

The chair of the Republican and Democrat caucuses will then nominate their respective party's candidates for speaker, and the roll will be called in alphabetical order to elect a speaker.

In effect, 433 men not yet sworn in as congressmen will elect a speaker for a house that technically does not yet exist.

There are 435 members in the House. However, Rep. Henry (R-Wis.) has died since the election, and Senator-elect Sparkman (D-Ala.) resigned his House seat after election to both the House and Senate in November. Neither vacancy has been filled.

## Oaths To Be Given

Romney will announce the election of a new speaker—probably Rep. Martin (R-Mass.)—who will select a senior member of his party to administer the oath to him. The speaker then will give the oath to the entire house.

The party caucus chairman then presents resolutions for electing new officers—clerk, sergeant-at-arms, doorkeeper, and postmaster. These are elected on straight party votes, and the speaker swears them into office at once.

The House will follow this with its routine resolutions to the Senate and President Truman, adopt its rules, and finally pass a resolution in memory of former members who have died.

## Pennsy Puts On New Equipment

Philadelphia, Dec. 26 (AP)—The Pennsylvania railroad announced receipt today of new overnight coaches to be used to reequip completely their regular fare luxury coach trains between New York and Chicago and St. Louis. They are the first units of the fleet of 334 postwar passenger cars on order.

Ninety three coach, lounge, dining, special feature and observation cars will replace present equipment on "The Trail Blazer," New York-Chicago all reservation coach train, and "The Jeffersonian," a similar type train between New York and St. Louis.

The cars were designed by PRR engineers, styled by Raymond Loewy associates and built at the railroad's Altoona (Pa.) works.

## Cancer Research Spurred In Penna.

Harrisburg, Dec. 26 (AP)—Cancer research in Pennsylvania has been spurred with a \$47,316 allocation from the American cancer society, the state division of the society announced.

The society reported that more than \$3,000,000 is expected to be made available this year for cancer research, throughout the country.

In announcing the allocation to Commonwealth institutions, the society emphasized that "no boundaries are recognized as far as states are concerned in research."

"Pennsylvania received its allotment because it has qualified research people," the society stated, adding that a number of research projects are now underway in the state.

## CITIES MEETING REVENUE NEEDS

Harrisburg, Dec. 26 (AP)—A survey of Pennsylvania's 46 third class cities showed today that "as a group they are meeting their current revenue needs."

The cities, in general, ended 1945 in relatively good financial condition, with less net debt outstanding and with larger balances than any year since 1930," the Pennsylvania economy league, a private research agency, reported.

"This generally good condition, however, does not preclude the existence of revenue problems in individual cities," the league emphasized and warned:

"Cities should use critical caution in deciding whether they need new sources of revenue."

The survey included an analysis of the details of 1945 income in each city and of the comparative fiscal operations of the cities during the past 15 years.

Demanda for new or expanded governmental services now that an end to material shortages is in sight constitute the most difficult civic problems confronting public officials in many cities, the league stated.

## Littlestown

Pvt. Robert DeGroft, Camp Lee, Va., is spending a 10-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter DeGroft, Littlestown.

Mrs. Lillie Crouse, Littlestown, is spending the holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Smith.

Sgt. Gerald Daley is on terminal leave from Fort Dix, N.J., after eleven months in the Aleutian Islands. He is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Daley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Odyke, children Barbara Lee and Carol Ann, Indianapolis, Ind., are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Odyke's mother, Mrs. Gertie Linda-mann.

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## BOASTFUL YOUTH ADMITS SLAYING OF POLICEMAN

Philadelphia, Dec. 26 (AP)—A gun-toting 15-year-old high school sophomore and his classmate were held on homicide charges today in the killing of Patrolman Henry J. Hicks, father of six, who was shot and clubbed with his own nightstick after he tried to discourage the boys' runaway attempt and persuade them to return to their homes.

The boys, identified by Detective Lieutenant James A. Kelly as Aaron Gore, Jr., Long Branch, N.J., and Keith Donaldson, also 15, of Elberon, N.J., were taken into custody yesterday after Wilmington, Del., police, acting on a tip from a thirteen-year-old youth who borrowed a nickel to phone, picked up Gore on a Wilmington street. A short time later, Donaldson, who returned to his home after the shooting, was surrendered by his parents.

### Admits Slaying

Inspector James C. Riley of the Wilmington police department said Gore signed a statement admitting he killed the policeman whose body was found early Tuesday a half block away from the station house to which he was assigned.

Riley said Gore gave this version of events preceding the shooting:

The policeman came upon the boys breaking milk bottles and asked them what they were doing and where they lived.

"We told him we had left home and were headed south," Gore related.

Thereupon Hicks replied: "The best place for you two fellows is home."

### "Game" Cop

The officer then told the two youths "I'll get in touch with your families. If they don't send the money to get you home, I'll manage to get it for you."

As they started toward the station house, the policeman was attacked and shot but despite his wounds held on to Gore until the end.

"That cop," Riley quoted Gore as saying, "was the game's guy we've ever seen. He tried to give us a break but everything went wrong."

Riley said the first break in the slaying came from three youths, Carl Schwartz, 18, Marvin Race, 17, and Milton T. Angert, 18, all of Philadelphia. The youths said they were enroute to a party in Wilmington when they picked up a hitch-hiker who turned out to be Gore.

### Boastful and Bold

Race said Gore climbed into the back seat of the car with him, displayed two pistols and two knives stuck in his belt, and openly referred to newspaper stories about the slaying of the Philadelphia policeman.

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### SEE COALITION IN COP BATTLE

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP)—A potentially powerful coalition of anti-Dewey Republicans and Southern Democrats appears likely to develop as a result of the bitter row within GOP ranks over the post of House majority leader.

To a large degree, the controversy has reflected the behind-the-scenes jockeying between the forces favoring the presidential aspirations of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York and Ohio's still undetermined choice—Senators Taft or Bricker.

With Dewey's support, Rep. Haleck (Ind.) generally has been conceded the inside rail in the floor leadership contest. Reps. Jenkins (Ohio) and Dirksen (Ill.) are the other announced candidates, and Rep. Brown (Ohio) declared himself "available."

As an example of the heat that has been engendered within the party, the 1948 convention will be held at the same time as the 1948 presidential election.

A Christmas service and program on the theme "O Come Let Us Adore Him" was given in the Centenary Methodist church Sunday evening, the Rev. Robert H. Sheehan, pastor.

The high school Athletic Association and the vocational home economics club sponsored a dance Monday evening for the alumni, students, and friends. Music was provided by Bill Krumrine's orchestra, Hanover. Refreshments were served.

The Mite Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church will meet next Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. M. Peeler. Election of officers will be held.

Students home for the Christmas holidays include: Maynard Barnhart and Althea J. Rider, Shippenburg State Teachers' college; LaVere Breitnher, Millersville State Teachers' College; and Rudolph Garland, West Chester State Teachers' College.

The party caucus chairman then presents resolutions for electing new officers—clerk, sergeant-at-arms, doorkeeper, and postmaster. These are elected on straight party votes, and the speaker swears them into office at once.

The House will follow this with its routine resolutions to the Senate and President Truman, adopt its rules, and finally pass a resolution in memory of former members who have died.

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## DANCE ON THE DESERT

By Florence Theel

AP Newsfeatures

Chapter 1

No bus ever looked so good to Corporal Bert McLane as this one, bowling eastward on Los Angeles' Wilshire Boulevard, towards the big gates of Saticoye Military Hospital.

This bus meant home, after three years with the Air Corps, and a boring convalescence, lasting long beyond the end of the war. And home meant Bert's grand scout of a little mother, and her boarding house that he had seen only in pictures, and Snap, his honey-colored little spaniel, his books, and getting his lips upon his saxophone again. It meant a big bed you could roll over in, and heavenly home-made pie and waffles. It meant so many things that made a funny lump now in his throat, as he picked up his cane and suitcase and walked with his buddy, "Carolina" Jaynes, who was still a patient, to the curb. He was tall and dark with gray eyes, steady and far-seeing, and although he felt—and looked—older than his twenty-four years, the corporal had not lost his sense of humor, nor his love of life and fun. He gripped his friend's hand in a way that said this friendship counted.

"Don't forget, you're coming to our place for fried chicken, soon as you're discharged."

"Just someone try and stop me!" Carolina drawled.

Bert smiled. "And get your alto sax out of hock before you come, boy, so we can have some music." He showed his suitcase on the bus.

"Gee! I nearly forgot!" Carolina jerked a folded songsheet from his tune, thrust it into Bert's hand. "All the latest—and all hot!"

The bus door was closing. "Take it easy, Bert!" They said it together and, grinning, touched their foreheads in salute, as the bus door shut.

"Far to Alvarado and a transfer, buddy."

The driver looked at the double row of service ribbons on Bert's chest. "Beet around a little, haven't you?"

Bert smiled. "Yeah. And there's no place like home!" He stowed his suitcase out of the way and took a seat near the front, greeting the towering palms and eucalyptus and the lace pepper trees, as the bus sped towards the city. Tall poinsettia vines flamed against low white houses with red tiled roofs. Hedges of scarlet berries flung gay color against pale roses, blooming still in January. Home! The beauty he had dreamed of, even lovelier than he had remembered. After a while, he looked at Carolina's parting gift: The Latest Christmas Hits of 1946. And his gray eyes locked beyond the lovely California scenery into a hopeful future. He couldn't go back to his old work; not yet, anyway. Too much walking, standing. But, maybe, now he could do what he'd always wanted to do—play his saxophone in a dance band!

The Alvarado bus was meeting his at Westlake Park, and filling quickly with returning shoppers and office workers, as he crossed the street. A pretty girl with brown eyes and a long, golden bob was the last one to get on. But, seeing the corporal, she stepped back with a warm smile, almost of recognition, that said, "You take it, soldier."

Bert did not smile back. "After you!" he told her crisply. Doggone it, he was still a man, even if he had been wounded.

The girl flushed, as she looked at him uncertainly.

"Make up your mind, lady!" the driver bawled. "We ain't got all evening." And the girl got on. The crowd had shifted now, making room for Bert and his suitcase.

"How far to Maryland Street?" he asked the driver, as they started.

"Can't say. My first trip, this line. Better watch the signs."

The pretty girl said helpfully, "I'm getting off at Maryland. It's only a few stops."

Bert thanked her and took a good, approving look at her trim figure in the dark-blue tailored suit, the ruffled shell-pink blouse, the becoming trifle of a hat, warming now to her friendliness, her bright, returning smile.

"You are Bertram McLane, aren't you?"

"Why, yes." He was trying hard to place her. "I know I should remember where we met—"

She shook her head. "We haven't."

Your mother showed me your picture. I recognized you right away—well, almost."

"Then you're one of mother's

## GEOLOGISTS SEEK PA. OIL

State College, Pa., Dec. 26 (AP)—

Geologists at Pennsylvania State college are turning the clock back

450 million years in a search for new

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## RADIO PROGRAMS

THURSDAY	
8:50A-WABC-675M	10:30-Walts Time
4:00-House Party	10:30-Theater
4:30-Mrs. Life	10:30-Uncle
5:00-Adventure	11:00-Uncounted
5:30-Bouquet	11:15-News
6:00-News	11:30-Novels
6:15-My Opinion	7:10K-WOR-422M
6:45-News	8:00-a.m.-News
7:00-Mystery	8:15-Breakfast
7:15-Smith Show	8:30-Aunt Mary
7:30-J. Keen	8:30-A. Metcann
8:00-FBI	10:00-News
9:00-Dick Haymes	10:15-Novelty
9:30-Photographer	11:00-Quiz
10:00-Finnegan	11:30-Neoners
11:00-News	11:45-Health
11:15-News	12:00-News
11:30-Music	12:15-M. Downey
6:00W-WEAF-454M	12:30-News
4:00-Backstage	12:45-Answer Man
4:30-Laura Dallas	1:00-Malineau
4:30-Lorenzo Jones	1:15-News
4:30-Widder Brown	1:45-J. Anthony
5:00-Sketch	2:00-Dilemmas
6:15-Fortune	2:30-Queen
6:30-Bill	3:00-Dr. Deane
6:45-Front Page	3:30-R. Hartling
6:00-News	4:00-FBI
6:15-Serenade	4:30-Uncle Don
6:45-News	4:45-Buck Rogers
7:00-Reader Club	5:00-H. Harrigan
7:15-News	5:30-Sketch
7:30-Dennis Day	5:45-Tom Mix
8:00-Aldriches	6:00-F. Kingdom
8:30-Alfreds	6:30-Bob Elson
9:00-Eddie Duchin	6:45-Sports
9:30-Jack Haley	7:00-News
10:00-Abott, Costello	7:15-Answer Man
10:30-Eddie Cantor	7:45-Sports
11:00-Music Story	8:00-Burl Ives
11:30-Music Story	8:15-Sketch
7:10K-WOR-422M	8:30-Love Story
4:00-Dix, Eddy	9:00-Real Life
4:30-Uncle Don	9:30-Drummond
4:45-Buck Rogers	10:00-Spotlight
5:00-Jerry Harrington	10:30-Galen Drake
5:15-Superman	11:00-News
5:30-Sketch	11:30-Dance Orch.
5:45-Sports	7:10K-WJZ-685M
6:00-News	8:00-Fitzgerald
6:15-Bob Elson	9:00-W. Club
6:45-News	10:00-True Story
7:00-Sport	10:30-TV
7:15-News	11:00-Quiz
7:30-J. Armstrong	11:15-Listening
7:45-Sports	11:30-Breakfast
8:00-News	12:00-News
8:15-News	11:45-Ted Malone
8:30-Monte Cristo	12:30-Nancy Craig
8:45-News	1:00-News
9:15-Real Life	1:15-A. Kitchell
9:30-Song Hour	1:30-Galen Drake
10:00-Symphonette	2:00-TV
11:00-News	2:15-Charts school
11:30-Dance orch.	2:30-Bridge, Groom
7:00K-WJZ-685M	3:00-Ladies
4:00-Riggs Show	3:30-Patricia
4:30-Angie Chair	4:00-Colbert
4:45-J. Tracy	4:30-Riggs Show
5:00-Terry	4:45-Dick Tracy
5:15-Sky King	5:00-Terry
5:30-J. Armstrong	5:15-J. King
5:45-Sports	5:30-A. Armstrong
6:00-News	5:45-Jed
6:15-Duo	6:00-News
6:30-A. Prescott	6:15-J. King
6:45-Duo	6:30-A. Prescott
7:00-Sport	6:45-Duo
7:15-Swing	7:00-Headlines
7:30-Quiz	7:15-Swing
8:00-Lum-Abner	7:30-Lion Ranger
8:15-Town Meet	8:00-Drama
8:30-Edgar Kasey	8:30-FBI
9:00-Workshop	9:00-Quiz
10:30-Rob Elson	9:30-The Sheriff
10:45-Melody	10:00-Reading
11:00-News	10:30-Sports
11:15-Sports	11:00-News
11:30-Dance orch.	11:15-Sports
8:00K-WABC-675M	11:30-Dance Orch.
4:00-Riggs Show	FRIDAY
4:30-Angie Chair	8:00-News
4:45-J. Tracy	8:15-Cook
5:00-Terry	8:30-Sleeping
5:15-Sky King	8:45-M. News
5:30-J. Armstrong	9:15-New York
5:45-Sports	10:00-Drama
6:00-News	10:15-News
6:15-Duo	10:30-News
6:30-A. Prescott	11:00-News
6:45-Duo	11:15-News
7:00-Sport	11:30-News
7:15-Swing	12:00-News
7:30-Quiz	12:45-Our Gal Sun.
8:00-Lum-Abner	1:00-News
8:15-Town Meet	1:15-Mrs. Perkins
8:30-Edgar Kasey	1:30-Dr. Malone
9:00-Workshop	1:45-Road of Life
10:30-Rob Elson	2:00-Mrs. Burton
10:45-Melody	2:30-Jones
11:00-News	2:45-Rose
11:15-Sports	3:00-Cinderella
11:30-Dance orch.	3:30-Winner
7:00K-WABC-675M	4:00-Parties
4:00-Front Page	4:30-Jackpot
4:30-News	5:00-Option
5:00-Supper Club	5:30-Bouquet
5:15-News	6:00-Report
5:30-Bill	6:30-Sports
6:00-Front Page	6:45-News
6:30-News	7:00-Mysteries
7:00-Supper Club	7:15-Quiz Show
7:15-News	7:30-Wilson orch.
7:30-Wood Show	8:00-Baby Snooks
7:45-Melody	8:30-Thin Man
8:00-Young Show	9:30-Ginny Simms
8:30-Funny People	10:00-Tom Howard
9:00-Funny People	10:30-Mahala
11:30-Dance orch.	11:00-News
7:10K-WOR-422M	11:30-Dance orch.

## Emmitsburg

Emmitsburg — The Christmas spirit prevailed in every corner of St. Joseph's Catholic high school as preparations were made for the holiday. Under the direction of Professor Sterbinsky the boys sang "Silent Night" and "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas" and other Christmas carols. Gifts for our neighbors across the sea and contributions to mission activities were presented.

Santa Claus paid a surprise pre-Christmas visit to St. Joseph's in order to make the long anticipated delivery of school uniforms. On the day following his visit, every girl came to school wearing her green jumper.

Christmas in Spain and Mexico was the theme of the December meeting of the El Club Loyola. A skit entitled "Christmas in Spain" was followed by illustrated readings on the holiday festivities in Mexico. The club members were especially interested in the custom of receiving gifts on Epiphany from the Wise Men instead of from Santa Claus on Christmas Eve. Group singing of Christmas carols in Spanish brought the meeting to a close.

Louis Stoner, Jr., spent last Friday in Baltimore.

Miss Lorraine Rodgers, St. Joseph's student, Baltimore, spent the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Rodgers.

Lt. and Mrs. Harry Jones, of Ocean City, Virginia, are spending sometime at the home of Mrs. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Shorb.

Joseph "Bud" Burdner, of Pittsburgh, is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burdner.

Dinner guest recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stoner were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Topper, Mr. and Mrs. William Topper, of Mt. Airy, Mrs. Frank Stoner and Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Shorb.

Mrs. Lloyd Ohler, Mrs. Andrew Keilheit, Mrs. Robert Grimes, Mrs. Elmer Fuss and Mrs. Carrie Long spent Wednesday of last week in Baltimore.

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Mrs. Stella Topper, DePaul street, celebrated her birthday Sunday, December 22. A dinner was served in her honor. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Topper, of Gettysburg, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Topper, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gunn and daughter, Elaine, Donald Topper and Faine Topper.

James Kelly, West Main street, spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Lingg, near St. Anthony's.

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Mrs. John F. Kelly, who has been confined to her bed for the past ten days at her home on De Paul street, reported slightly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Slichter, of Pittsburgh, to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Topper and daughter, Shirley, spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. Topper's mother, Mrs. William Topper.

Solemn high mass was celebrated at St. Joseph's Catholic church at midnight on Christmas Eve by the Rev. Francis Stauble, assisted by Rev. Gerald Currens as Deacon and Rev. John Sullivan as sub-Deacon. The Master of Ceremonies was George Greco, assisted by William Sterbinsky, incense bearer, and Charles Hardagden and Patrick Boyle as acolytes. The sanctuary was filled to capacity with altar boys. The entire congregation received Holy Communion. Mrs. Euphemia Rotering, organist, and the entire choir rendered a program of music and singing. Solos were sung by Mrs. Helen Brown, Mrs. Joseph Wivell, Mrs. Matt Palaikovitch, Roy Hardagden, Rudolph Warthen and Guy Baker, Jr. Mrs. Rotering was assisted in the music by Prof. William Sterbinsky on the violin.

The altar was decorated with poinsettias, red carnations and laurel. Pine wreaths were used also for decoration. Father Stauble in his sermon extended to all the season's Greeting from the priests at St. Vincent's Rectory and the Sisters of the High School and Parochial school. He also thanked the ladies for the many hours spent in decorating the altars, and the choir for their time in preparing such a program. The main thought brought out in his sermon was "That First Christmas Morn."

Mrs. Joseph K. Ash will be hostess to members and friends of the Emmitsburg Chapter of the Alumnae Association of St. Joseph's college, Emmitsburg, at a gathering to be held at the college on December 28.

Because they are scattered throughout almost all of the 48 states and the territories of the United States, the alumnae of this school, which was founded in 1890 by Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton instituted a custom, eleven years ago, of meeting in small groups at central points, each December 28, which

## SEE CONSPIRACY FOR REVOLUTION BY HUGE STRIKE

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP) — The House committee on un-American activities heard a warning from its council today against a "conspiracy" to foment revolution in the United States through a general strike or otherwise.

The warning highlighted a report submitted to the committee by Ernie Adamson, who said it summarizes information assembled by his staff during 1946.

Although printed by the government printing office, the report has not yet been approved formally by the committee.

**Labor Control By Reds**

Besides referring to the revolution "conspiracy," the report (A) contains critical references to representatives of foreign governments attached to the United Nations. (B) claims that 17 important labor unions are controlled by communists and (C) calls the library of Congress a "haven for aliens and foreign-minded Americans."

The chief counsel said "deep inroads" already have been made in this country by the forces of communism and "they have succeeded in entrenching themselves in government, labor and education."

"In the opinion of the committee," Adamson continued, "the most serious penetration has been within the labor movement, where the communists dominate 17 vital unions of the CIO-unions so vital that our very national security is dependent upon them."

**Protect Urged**

During the last six months, Adamson reported, the committee has found that "numerous representatives of foreign nations who are attached to the United Nations have been attending meetings sponsored by the Communist fronts in the United States and addressing the audiences upon matters affecting the constitution, of the United States."

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Adamson recommended that the State department formally protest against such activities.

The report charges that many persons accepted for employment in the reorganized Legislative reference department of the library of Congress "have had extensive associations with agencies or societies who have shown inclination to change the economy, if not the constitution, of the United States."

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Mrs. Augustine J. Tierney has received word from her sister, Mrs. Charles P. Sullivan, who with her son, Terry, spent several days here during November, that they have arrived at San Diego, Calif., where they have secured living quarters.

Sgt. Paul A. Ream, U. S. Army, has been leave on at the Paradise township home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Ream.

Earl E. March, husband of Mrs. Bernice Billeck March, who re-enlisted last year for another year of army duty, expects his discharge early in the new year.

Harry Thomas and son, Nelson, spent Saturday in Hanover.

Mrs. Lyle Creekmore and Miss E. Patricia Boozer, with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace H. Boozer, from West Palm Beach, Fla., spent Friday in York.